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SUBJECT: OPPOSITION RALLY OF TSWANA IN SOWETO

1. LOCAL PRESS RECENTLY REPORTED THAT CHIEF HERMAN MASELOANE, LEADER OF BOPHUTHATSWANA OPPOSITION, HAD ANNOUNCED THAT RALLY WOULD BE HELD ON JUNE 26 IN JABULANI STADIUM, SOWETO. PURPOSE IS TO DISCUSS TSWANAS' FUTURE IN URBAN AREAS AND INDEPENDENCE OF BOPHUTHATSWANA. PRESS SPECULATED THAT THOUSANDS WOULD ATTEND RALLY.

2. COMMENT: MASELOANE AND OTHERS HAVE BEEN LEADING VERY VOCAL OPPOSITION TO BOPHUTHATSWANA INDEPENDENCE. INFORMAL SOUNDINGS BY EMBOFFS IN MAFEKING AS WELL AS RAND TOWNSHIPS INDICATES SIGNIFICANT SUPPORT AMONGST TSWANAS FOR OPPOSITION STAND. RALLY, IF IT IS ALLOWED TO COME OFF, COULD PROVIDE BETTER ESTIMATE OF EXTENT OF ANTI-INDEPENDENCE FEELING IN URBAN AREAS. IT IS QUESTIONABLE WHETHER AUTHORITIES WILL ALLOW IT, HOWEVER. FIRST OF ALL, IN THESE TENSE TIMES FOLLOWING JUNE 16 ANNIVERSARY, IT COULD BE FLASH POINT FOR

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RENEWED VIOLENCE. SECONDLY, THERE HAVE BEEN CHARGES IN PAST, WITH SOME SUBSTANTIATION, THAT SAG AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN HARASSING BOPHUTHATSWANA OPPOSITION ATTEMPTS TO RALLY SUPPORTERS. THIS HAS INCLUDED BREAKING UP OF AT LEAST ONE PREVIOUS OPPOSITION GATHERING.BOWDLER

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